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## NEWS AND VIEWS . . .

### And What Have You

By BOB CRAIG

The following article is making the rounds of newspapers across the country and was brought to our attention by Don Gregory who read it in the Lovington Daily Leader, Lovington, N. Mex.

This excerpt is from a file on "Communist Rules for Revolution" and was obtained by the Armed Forces in Dusseldorf in May, 1919. It might explain some of today's happenings.

"A. Corrupt the young, get them away from religion. Get them interested in sex. Make them superficial, destroy their ruggedness.

"B. Get control of all means of publicity and thereby:

"1. Get people's minds off their government by focusing their attention on athletics, sexy books and plays, and other trivialities.

"2. Divide the people into hostile groups by constantly harping on controversial matters of no importance.

"3. Destroy the people's faith in their natural leaders by holding the latter up to contempt, ridicule and obloquy.

"4. Always preach true democracy but seize power as fast and as ruthlessly as possible.

"5. By encouraging government extravagance, destroy its credit, produce fear of inflation with rising prices and general discontent.

"6. Foment unnecessary strikes in vital industries, encourage civil disorders, and foster a lenient and soft attitude on the part of government toward such disorders.

"7. By specious argument cause the breakdown of the old moral virtues: honesty, sobriety, continence, faith in the pledged word, ruggedness.

"C. Cause the registration of all firearms on some pretext, with the view of confiscation of them and leaving the population helpless."

The above was printed in the Bartlesville (Okla.) Examiner-Enterprise in 1919.

It is hard to say if the problems of today are too dissimilar to the problems of 50 years ago, or if we are still fighting the same problems brought on by the same organization.

We were disappointed that the bad weather forced the postponement of the Powder Puff Football game Saturday night. We were looking forward to this game. We are not sure whether it was the idea of the girls playing football or the boys being cheerleaders and majorettes that held the most appeal.

We understand that plans are being made to re-schedule the game after basketball season when the weather should be more suitable. We hope that it can be worked in next spring.

Basketball fans should find this weekend to their liking with the tourney opening here tonight. A look at the lineup indicates that there should be some real fine games on tap.

The team that the Pipers open with, Westbrook, appears to be stronger than expected and Albany has already proven themselves here. Even though Aspermont is a week behind the other teams because of football they are expected to be strong and their game with A. C. H. S. should be a good one.

With the girls playing in the Anson Tourney this weekend there may be a number of fans that spend a good deal of time going back and forth trying to take in both tourneys.

## Santa Sets Visit Here Today

Santa Claus will make his arrival in Hamlin at 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday) aboard a Hamlin Volunteer Fire Department truck.

From the fire truck he will throw candy to the youngsters along the route. He will be assisted by Francis Schneeweis and Charles Reed, members of the Trade Development Committee of the Board of Community Development.

Santa's invitation to visit Hamlin today was extended by the BCD. He will not circulate through the crowds as in the past years.

## Rainfall for November Nears 4 Inches

Nearly four inches of rain, sleet and snow fell here during the month of November with most of this coming during the end of the month. The heaviest reported was Nov. 26 with 1.81 inches.

While the wet spell stopped the cotton harvest with a 1,000 to 1,500 bales still in the fields, area farmers and ranchers were glad to see the much needed moisture.

Many farmers have yet to plant their wheat and are hoping for a period of dry weather now that the ground is well seasoned. The slow, soaking rainfall and snows have been highly beneficial to area pastures.

Total rainfall was 3.82 and more recently .15 recorded Dec. 3. Following the 1.81 inches on Nov. 26 was .63 on Nov. 27, .24 on Nov. 28 and .16 on Nov. 30.

## JC's to Repair Toys for Needy

Hamlin Jaycees will repair toys for distribution to needy children at Christmas.

Young Bill Maddox is chairman of the project.

Notes were sent home by children this week asking that broken, repairable toys be brought to the school. Toys may also be taken to the Hamlin Herald, if it is more convenient.

## Haskell Land Bank Sets Annual Meet

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Federal Land Bank Association of Haskell will meet in Haskell at 2:30 p.m. on December 11. The meeting will be held in the District Court Room.

The Federal Land Bank Association of Haskell serves farmers and ranchers of Haskell, Jones, Baylor, and Knox counties, and services approximately 800 stockholders, with a volume of nearly \$6,000,000.

## Local Stores Set Special Sale Tonight

Several Hamlin merchants are opening the Christmas shopping season with a customer Appreciation Night tonight from 7 until 9.

Each of the stores are holding special promotions during these two hours as well as offering their regular specials. Many of these firms are advertising their plans for tonight in this issue of the Herald.

The program is part of the BCD Retail Trade Committee's Christmas Promotion plans. Most of the stores are planning to stay open each Thursday night between now and Christmas.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS -- Christmas decorations were put up on the downtown streets by WTU employees in preparation for the Christmas opening today (Thursday). Santa will arrive at 4:30 p.m. on a fire truck, officially opening the season in Hamlin. Several stores are announcing plans to remain open from 7 to 9 p.m. this evening.

## First Appreciation Day Drawing Set Wednesday

The first Hamlin Appreciation Day drawing will be held here Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 4:30, according to Francis Schneeweis, BCD Trade Development Committee Chairman.

The drawing will be held at the corner of S. Central Ave. and Third Street and will be for a percentage of the over \$200 pot. The drawing will continue until a winner is determined with the winner receiving the percentage of the pot as determined by the percentage of the winning ticket.

The sponsoring firms are giving coupons with every

purchase but no purchase is required to receive a coupon. The coupons can be deposited in any of the boxes set up in the different participating firms or in the box at the time of the drawing. The winner must be present at the drawing.

The coupons are available at the following firms: J. M. McDonald Co., Howard Drug, Heidenheimer's, Winn's Stores, Frank's Dept. Store, Hamlin Building Supply, Pied Piper Grocery, Texaco Consignee, Blue Bonnet Cafe, Mac's Food Market, Joe Hudspeth's, Lee's Cafe, Piggly Wiggly, Carl Murrell Chevrolet, Harbert

## City Thanksgiving Service Nov. 24 Well Attended

The Ministerial Alliance reports the Community Thanksgiving Service at First United Methodist Church Nov. 24 an overwhelming success.

The Alliance estimated over 300 people attended with some being turned away because of lack of seating.

The offering for the organization's benevolent work was \$216.95.

Others who wish to give to this fund may do so by getting their contribution to Rev. Marshall Stewart, secretary-treasurer, or Leldon Clifton at F & M National Bank.

## Nazarene Church Revival Underway

Rev. W. Lawson Brown of Bethany, Okla., evangelist and singer for the revival in progress at the Church of the Nazarene, will be leading services nightly at 7:30. Sunday services are at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

## Dec. 23 Burglary Here Said Solved

The burglary of John Howard Grocery on Dec. 23 of last year was cleared up Thursday morning after an investigation by Texas Ranger Sid Merchant and Chief of Police Bryan Wasson.

No further information can be released at this time, says Chief Wasson, due to other investigations pending.

## Piper Tourney Underway Today

The Pied Pipers will host their annual Invitational Boys Basketball Tournament here this weekend with the first game starting at 4 o'clock today (Thursday). The Pipers will play Westbrook tonight at 8:30 in the opening round of action.

While the Pipers are hosting their tourney here, the

Piperettes will be playing in the Anson Girls Tournament with the local girls meeting Merkel tonight at 7:30. Other teams in the three-day tourney are Roby, Avoca, Clyde, Coleman, Albany and Anson.

Albany and Lueders-Avoca will tangle in the opening game and will be followed by Anson and Merkel at 5:30. Aspermont and Abilene Christian High School will meet at 7:00, with Hamlin and Westbrook closing out the evening.

The second round games will be played at the same times on Friday and the losers on the consolation side of the bracket will open Saturday's action at 4 o'clock. The consolation game will be at 5:30, the game for third place at 7 o'clock and the finals at 8:30.

Tuesday night the three HHS teams will journey to Albany for a re-match with the first game starting at 5:30.

Friday night the Pipers took their second victory over the Lueders-Avoca quintet, 84-76, in a game played at Avoca. Milbourne Newland was high for the night with 34 points followed by Charlie Shira with 22.

The Piperettes broke into the win column against Lueders-Avoca with a 41-40 victory. Mary Cork scored 18 points, Rhea Sue Vaughan, 15

and Marcia Steele, 8.

In a game played here Monday night, the Piperettes and the B Team were victorious, but the Pipers were defeated by one point in the second overtime. The Pipers trailed by five points going into the final period and tied the game up 56-56. Both teams scored four points in the first overtime and Albany scored nine points to Hamlin's eight in the second overtime to win 69-68. Ernest Ledbetter was high for Hamlin with 22 points.

Mary Cork led the scoring with 13 points as Hamlin won, 40-32. The Hamlin B Team defeated Albany, 46-29.



TOMMY FERGUSON  
... services held Friday

## Tommy Ferguson, 20, Dies Here Thursday After Long Illness

Thomas Scott (Tommy) Ferguson, 20, a student at Angelo State College, died at 5:40 a.m. Thursday at Hamlin Memorial Hospital after an illness of two years.

Services were held Friday at 11 a.m. in First Baptist Church by Rev. Max Brown, pastor, and Rev. Marshall Stewart, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene.

Born Feb. 26, 1948, in Stamford, he was the son of Mrs. Thomas Ferguson and the late Mr. Ferguson. He was graduated from Hamlin High School in 1966 and attended Texas Tech before going to Angelo State College.

In high school he was president of the Student Council, member of the National Honor Society, football captain, was elected Football Hero, was named Mr. Hamlin High School and received the Rotarian Citizenship award four years. He lettered three years in football, two in basketball and two in track. He was

president of the Freshman Class, Sophomore Class favorite, a member of the Senior Play cast and was sentinal and secretary of FFA.

He was a member of First Baptist Church.

At Texas Tech and also at Angelo State he was on the dean's honor list.

Burial was in Hamlin East Cemetery.

Survivors include his mother; one sister, Mrs. Ken (Rebecca) Prewitt of Sweetwater; his grandmother, Mrs. Wardie Ferguson; a niece Kathrine Prewitt of Sweetwater, and several uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. John Walton, Mrs. Arba Burgess, and Mrs. Una Allen.

Pallbearers were Donald Embrey, Doug Sharer, Gary Connally, George Bonds, Scotty Brown, Mike Smith, Mac Peacock, Mike Mansfield, Jimmy Hawkins and Roger Bell.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY -- Members of the National Honor Society are shown following induction ceremonies for new members. The new members are l to r, top row, Robert Bailey, Cindy Bryant, Patty Cowan, all seniors, Thomas Goolsby, Peggy Jones, Chris Perrin, Charlie Shira, Gary Smith, Marcia Steele,

and Mary Jane Wallace, all juniors. On the bottom row are members who were inducted last year and presented the program for the special assembly. L to r are Gil Lain, Pat Perrin, Dianna Crowley, Martha Robertson, Mike Young, president, Beth Craig and Joey Duncan. (Bill Johnson Photo)





D. M. WHITE  
... celebrates birthday  
**D. M. White Has  
83rd Birthday In  
In Anson Nov. 23**

D. M. White, resident of Valley View Nursing Home, celebrated his 83rd birthday Saturday, Nov. 23, in Anson. Mr. White had resided in Hamlin 43 years before moving to Valley View. In Hamlin he ran a hotel and also was a real estate dealer. He was born Nov. 23, 1885 in Nashville, Ark., and came to Texas when he was 21 years old. He arrived in Abilene, and went to work for the first person he spoke to after getting off the train, the late Will Fulwiller. He ran a wheat drill for him for awhile. A few weeks later he heard that Hamlin was booming, so he caught the train to Hamlin. He also farmed in the Truby and Hodges area for awhile.

Mr. White's health is not good, but he enjoys visiting with his friends and gets out some. He is a member of the Church of the Nazarene. His wife resides in Merkel. The Whites have five daughters, Mrs. J. R. Rhoten of Abilene, Mrs. Henry Brady of Merkel, Vera White of Van Horn, Mrs. Marvin Newberry of Crosbyton and Mrs. Beth Walker of Temple, and two sons, Guy White of Dallas, and Bernice White of Salem, Oregon.

**Bill Rountree Gives Program for Water Meeting Here**

The Lone Star Water Utilities Association held its regular monthly meeting here Nov. 21 in the Oil Mill Guest House. President Ikie Ray presided. Bill Rountree, water superintendent for the City of Hamlin, was the speaker. He gave a report on Lubbock Short School and explained a new school to be started in May in Abilene. He spoke to an audience of 45 people. In other business, the employees of water and waste water departments of the City of Sweetwater gave Jack Roland a retirement gift. The group also gave a Christmas gift to the Rehabilitation Center in Abilene. The next meeting will be Dec. 11 in Rotan.

Twin boys were born here Nov. 28, Acencion Jr. born at 7:35 a.m. weighing 5 lbs. 3 oz. and Juan born at 7:46 a.m. weighing 4 lbs. 11 oz. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Acencion Fernandez of Stamford.

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**GREEN BEAN 2 FOR 41¢**

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**PINEAPPLE JUICE 2 FOR 33¢**

TEXSUN 46 OZ.  
**TOMATO JUICE 29¢**

TEXSUN 46 OZ.  
**GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 2 FOR 65¢**

**CRISCO OIL 69¢**  
38 OZ.

MAXWELL INSTANT  
**COFFEE 79¢**  
6 OZ.

AUNT JEMIMA  
**MEAL 39¢**  
5 LB.

ASST. REG.  
**JELLO 4 FOR 39¢**

SHURFINE QT. FRESH  
**PICKLES 39¢**

MORTON  
**SALAD DRESSING 39¢**  
QUART

KING. **59¢**

AFFILIATED 1/2 GAL.  
**ICE MILK 43¢**

AFFILIATED HOMO 1/2 GAL  
**MILK 49¢**

AFFILIATED  
**LOWFAT 2 FOR 89¢**  
1/2 GAL

A. F. 1/2 GAL  
**Buttermilk 37¢**

HAIR SPRAY  
**SUDDEN BEAUTY 49¢**  
7 OZ.

**LISTERINE 49¢**

100 COUNT  
**BAYER ASPIRIN 79¢**

NABISCO  
**RITZ 39¢**  
KEEBLER 15 OZ. LB.

SUNSHINE LB.  
**PENGUIN 45¢**  
**HYDROX 45¢**

AFFILIATED  
**BACON 59¢**  
LB.

CENTER CUT PORK  
**CHOPS 65¢**  
LB.

SHURFRESH CHEESE  
**SPREAD 89¢**  
2 LB.

DECKER'S ALL MEAT  
**Bologna 49¢**  
LB.

SHURFINE 6 OZ.  
**Orange Juice 2 FOR 39¢**

PATIO MEX.  
**DINNERS 39¢**  
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SHURFINE  
**FLOUR 75¢**  
10 LB.

DUNCAN HINES  
**PANCAKE MIX 37¢**  
2 LBS.

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Hamlin High Happenings

# Piper Patter

by Patty Cowan  
Mary Wallace  
Beth Craig

Students returned to HHS Monday after the enjoyable Thanksgiving holidays. Although the snow was a pretty sight to some, it brought disappointment to some 50 girls, who had been preparing for the Powder Puff football game. The game will be rescheduled after basketball season.

Special congratulations go to Gil Lain and James Asher, Piper seniors. They were named on the All-District teams selected by the coaches of District 7-AA.

The Pipers and Piperettes are really getting into the swing of basketball. They brought two victories home from Lueders-Avoca Friday night. The Pipers won 84-78 and the Piperettes won 41-40.

This weekend the Pipers will host a Boy's Invitational Tournament. Those entered are Aspermont, Abilene Christian High School, Albany, Lueders-Avoca, Westbrook, Anson, Merkel and Hamlin. Hamlin will play at 8:30 on Thursday against Westbrook. The Piperettes will play in the Anson Girl's Tournament this weekend.

Each band member received six band concert tickets last week to be sold for the "Christmas Festival" to be held Dec. 16 at 7:30. Admission is 75c.

The Future Homemakers of America held a Mother-Daugh-

ter tea Monday night in the high school cafeteria. Kathryn Cawley, Home Economist for Lone Star Gas Company, presented the program on "Christmas is Many Things." She presented ideas for Christmas foods and gift suggestions using foods.

She also distributed folders with pictures and recipes for all the ideas presented.

Guests included mothers and friends.

Sandra Payne was selected Miss FHA for December during the business session. Beth Craig, president, presided.

Mrs. Cawley was introduced by Jo Lynn Johnson, program chairman.

## B&PW Club Makes Plans for Christmas Box for Hospital

Business and Professional Women's Club assembled Nov. 26 at Lee's Cafe for the business meeting with Mrs. Mac Reid, president, presiding.

The group made plans to send a Christmas box to the State Hospital in Abilene. Gifts are to be taken to Witt's Jewelry by Wednesday, Dec. 4. They are not to be gift wrapped.

Others present were Mmes Ivy Witt, John Holtz, E. A. Hewitt, Paul Goodgame, E. W. Ueckert, Earl Brown, Opal Smith, Ruth Parker and Misses Oleta and Viola Avants. The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Dec. 10 for the Christmas Party at Lee's Cafe.

## Lo Cal Club Seeks Handbags for State School

At the Nov. 26 meeting Lo Cal members prepared tray favors for the patients of Hamlin Memorial Hospital and Holiday Lodge for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Melvin Scott, president, delivered a basket to a needy family for Thanksgiving.

The club also reported giving 12 gifts to Abilene State School which Mrs. Vernon Johnson delivered.

The club is asking for good used handbags to be given to the school. Mrs. Scott at 576-3329 and Mrs. Johnson at 576-3503 may be contacted for this project.

Mrs. Floyd Hallmark was a guest.

The meeting next week will be moved from Tuesday to Monday night so that members may also attend the Women In Concern meeting to be held at 7:30 at Harden Memorial Library. Weigh-in starts at 6:30.

## LVNA Group Sets Christmas Tea In Brown Home

LVNA, Division 73, met Monday evening in the primary cafeteria with Mrs. Fred Teichelman, new president, presiding.

Plans were made for a Christmas tea to be held in the home of Mrs. Cecil Brown Saturday, Dec. 14, from 2 to 5 p.m. All nurses are invited. Others attending the Monday meeting were Mmes Steve Herring, L. V. Miller, W. R. Perryman, Cecil Brown, Young Bill Maddox, J. W. Seifres, Otha Brown, Clifford Stuart, and Rudene Blackwell. Also Mrs. Rubert Raley and Mattie Davis, members from Stamford.

Average — Kathy Hopper, Sylvia Marentes, Sonja Williams, Rebecca Server, and Luke Reynolds.

B Average — Kim Squiers, Oscar Marshall, Gary Creason, Lanna Acklin, Margie Roddy, Ricci Harugthy, Tracy Rowland, and Herschel Houghton.

## Mrs. Albritton To Present Two Piano Recital Sun.

Mrs. Henry Albritton will present pupils in the annual two piano concert Sunday Dec. 8, at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church chapel.

Those to be presented include Mitch Wilson, Darrell Craig, Elise Kelley, Elaine Kelley, Ricky Craig, Debra Hollis, Patrice Moore, Tara Colley, Gayla Walton, Kever Mehaffey, Debbie Hardaway, Gary Ford, Jan Ford, Crystal Walton, Joy Duncan, Cheryl Walton, Rebecca Server, Cynthia McMillan, Bob McMillan, Ken Shira, Denise Russell, Debbie Tugwell, Denise Tugwell, Kimi Mehaffey, Lori Driver, Mitzi Hunter, Lisa Howard, Chris Perrin, Heler Howard, Elaine Carlton, Jeanie Ferguson, Velanne Rowland, Dana Gallagher, and Cynthia Parker of Aspermont.

Secret pal gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

Others attending were Mmes. Earnie Smith, M. L. Haight, Eual King and Eddie B. Hopper.

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## Mrs. W. J. Stewart Hosts Ruth Class Meeting Nov. 27

Ruth Sunday School Class of North Central Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. W. J. Stewart Nov. 27.

Mrs. George Campbell gave the opening prayer. The class song was led by Mrs. Ben Wilcox. Mrs. F. T. Wallace led the Bible quiz.

Mrs. Wilcox presented the devotional. Mrs. L. H. Clark gave the closing prayer.

Secret pal gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

Others attending were Mmes. Earnie Smith, M. L. Haight, Eual King and Eddie B. Hopper.

## Women In Concern To Meet Monday

The Women In Concern will meet Monday evening at 7:30 in Harden Memorial Library, 324 S. W. Ave. A, for a Christmas program.

All women are invited. The discussion will be "What Christmas Means to Me."

Mrs. Sammie Williams will give the story "The Unexpected Christmas Guest," by Mrs. Carter Wright.

Mrs. Bob Craig will be hostess.

NEWS FROM ...

Sylvester

By MRS. R. M. BABE

We were fortunate enough to get 3.40 inches of moisture this past week. Rain and snow made every one wear a smile and enjoy a real Thanksgiving.

Many of our people had company over the Holidays and some of them I have not been able to find out just who visited, but will do the best I can.

In the Roy Kiser home were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kiser and son of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Derwin Maberry and children of Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Pop Williams of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Spikes of Abilene.

Guests in the Mutt Early home were the following: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Henderson of Colorado Springs, Colo. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Griggs of Breckenridge, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Early of Roby, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Beam and Sherri of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Early and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Early and family of Snyder.

Mr. L. T. Watson spent several days in St. Ann's Hospital in Abilene recently but is home now doing real well.

In Hamlin Hospital at this writing is Mrs. Robert Scott Jr. awaiting surgery, and Mrs. Myrtle Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown were guests in the Gerald Prather home on Thanksgiving day in Sweetwater.

Mrs. Carra Perkins came home several days ago and over the holidays had in her home her son and family from Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rocquemore and daughter from Irving.

The Woodrow Lawlis were very glad to have their three daughters and their families in their home on Thanksgiving, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson and sons of Duncanville, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Purvis and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dobbs and son of Euless.

## HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Brown had their six daughters and their families with them Thursday.

The Melvin Thompson family and Mrs. Dan Kidd spent Thursday in the home of Melvin's parents in Sweetwater.

The Gerald Prathers of Sweetwater spent Sunday in the Buford Brown home.

Mrs. Ella Scott spent Thursday in the Charles Scott home.

Larry Forrester, younger brother of the pastor, Bro. Don Forrester, filled the pulpit in the Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Mr. Faye Dozier is in the Hospital in Anson again.

Eight people from the Baptist Church attended the "M" night in Stamford last week.

In the Jim Lanning home over the Thanksgiving Holiday were Mr. and Mrs. McKee Andrus of Houston and two of their sons and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Douglass and Michael of Stanton visited with the A. P. Douglasses for the holidays.

Spurlon Harris spent a few days with his family before going to Virginia where he will be stationed with the Navy.

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## Junior High Honor Roll

The Honor Roll for the second six weeks for Hamlin Junior High School was released this week by Principal Marvin Carlton.

Students making the list are as follows:

### EIGHTH GRADE

All A — Terri Casey and Richard Wallace.

A Average — Debra Woolf, David Thompson, John Hill, Ken Shira and Gayla Walton.

B Average — Sue Squiers, Teresa Braley, Sharon Griffin, Georgia Deaton, Velanne Rowland and Ricky Gruben.

### SEVENTH GRADE

All A — Vicky Gruben, Steven Mackey, Elaine Kelley, George Anne Pruitt, Linda Pinson, Frank Meyner, Mignon Williams, Gary Hertel, Kenneth Dockins, Jeri Ann Waggoner, Dwayne Weaver, Carla Adair, Connie Christain, Janie Middleton and Bobby Hill.

A Average — Cindy Witt, Keith Jackson, Leigh Ann Vaughan, Evangeline Eustace, Gayla Stewart, Lisa Rogers, and Diane Ford.

B Average — Ricky Crowley, Judy Kim, Jamie Kim, Luann Shira, Marilyn Stewart, Mitzi Hunter, Johnny Seay, and Stanley Colley.

### SIXTH GRADE

All A — Randy Elmore, Carolyn Dockins, Peggy Farnsworth, Debra St. Clair, Joe Youngblood, Rita Casey, Randy Crouch, Sue Ellen Fugate, Thomas Hartley, Blain Lewis, Cheryl Lewis, Cynthia McMillan, Kimi Mehaffey, Ray Sonnenburg, Denese Tugwell, and Freddy Webb.

A Average — Kathy Hopper, Sylvia Marentes, Sonja Williams, Rebecca Server, and Luke Reynolds.

B Average — Kim Squiers, Oscar Marshall, Gary Creason, Lanna Acklin, Margie Roddy, Ricci Harugthy, Tracy Rowland, and Herschel Houghton.

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We extend our sincere thanks to Bro. Marshall Stewart and the Church of Christ minister for their consoling words during our bereavement. Also we appreciated the beautiful flowers, the bountiful food furnished during the passing of our loved one, wife and mother, Essie J. Walton. H. E. Walton and children

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We are indeed grateful for each act of kindness during the illness and death of Tommy Ferguson. Your prayers sustained us, and may God bless all of you.  
The Ferguson Family  
Mr. and Mrs. Ken Prewitt and Kathy  
The Graham Family

**CARD OF THANKS**  
I would like to thank all those who made my stay in the hospital so much nicer with their thoughtfulness. The doctors, nurses and wonderful friends and neighbors were so kind. May the Good Lord bless each of them.  
Mrs. A. J. Pemberton

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We would like to express our deepest appreciation to every one who stood with us in our hour of sorrow, and to all that brought food, and helped with the meals. We know the Lord will bless you.  
The J. D. Hall family

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A big Congress Avenue parade will follow his swearing-in at noon that day, and after a brief rest Governor and Mrs. Smith will lead off the dancing at a grand ball. They'll be honored with at least four other balls during the evening.

Last time the capital witnessed such a celebration was when Price Daniel took office in 1957. Then more than 20,000 well-wishers danced 'til dawn. But inaugurations have been rather sedate since then. Governor Smith said he'd reveal more details of his inauguration in a couple of weeks.

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6. No one may answer for another except husband and wife.
7. Employees and their immediate families may not use coupons issued by the stores where they're employed.
8. No merchant, owner, part-owner, silent partner, store manager, nor any member of their immediate families, may win an award at any time.
9. Crumpled, defaced, or illegible coupons cannot be honored. If coupon is punched more than once it is void. If punched on the line between two percentage brackets, the lower percentage bracket will apply.
10. The coupon which is drawn will be carefully checked to see that it is valid in every way before the name is announced. If questionable in any particular it will be destroyed without the name being read.
11. Only individual names will be recognized. No company, firm, partnership, or corporation can win an award.
12. Coupons will be left in the container as long as possible. When they can no longer be handled, it will be announced in advance that one-half (never all) of them will be destroyed the following week.
13. No consideration of value must ever be accepted in exchange for a coupon. They are an expression of good will, freely given to customers and non-customers, residents and non-residents, alike. They contain information which is valuable in assisting your local retailers to define their current trade territory, and they represent a sincere effort to express appreciation for your patronage. They will be issued to customers with every purchase, but non-customers may also receive them and any person may participate by simply submitting his name and address on a plain piece of paper one inch by three inches in size, and by indicating thereon an appropriate percentage figure up to fifty per cent.

## HERE'S ALL YOU DO:

1. Clip this Coupon. Write your name and address on the back.
2. Drop it in the box at any of the stores listed below, or in the central container at the weekly drawing.
3. Secure additional coupons by requesting them at any of the member firms.
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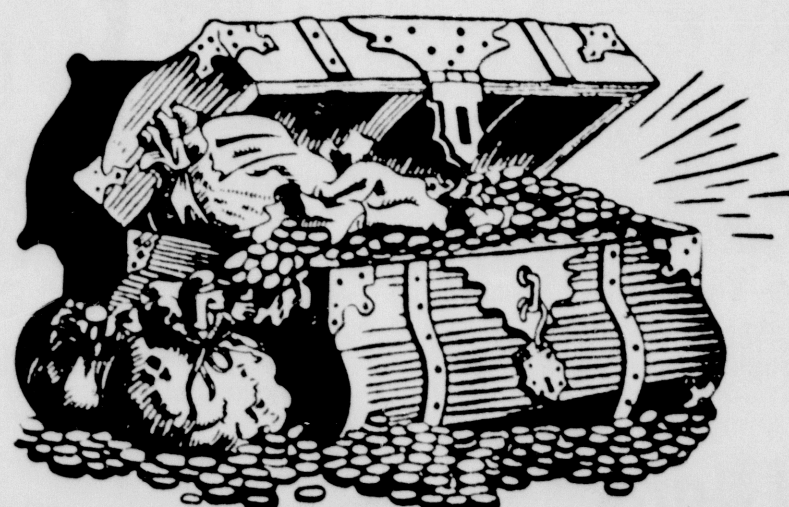
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NEWS FROM . . .

# Old Glory

By JUDY WHITE

About 3.50 inches of moisture in the form of rain, sleet and snow was recorded here during the Thanksgiving week. This ended a long dry spell and was certainly added to the list of blessings of this community. Snow flakes on Wednesday were some of the largest we have ever seen falling here. They looked to be almost the size of baseballs as they fell.

Despite the weather, college students managed to get home for the Thanksgiving holidays. Among those who were here were Danny Gene Letz from Texas Tech visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Letz; Danny Lammert also of Texas Tech, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lammert; Mike Balder and Gary Moore both of Navarro Junior College in Corsicana visiting the Oren Baldrees and Mrs. Doris Moore. Stephanie Letz and a friend, Beth Robertson, of North Texas University in Denton, visited here with Stephanie's parents, the Ed Letzes. Judy White was home from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene visiting her mother and grandmother, Mrs. Bernice White and Tillie Dippel.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Wience and their granddaughter, Julie Wience, of Lubbock were here during the Thanksgiving weekend visiting his mother, Mrs. W. G. Wience.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Spitzer and Weldon spent Thanksgiving Day in Haskell with his mother, Mrs. Fred Spitzer.

**VARIETY CLUB**  
The ladies of the Old Glory Variety Club entertained their husbands with a Thanksgiving Turkey Supper in the banquet room of Frazier's Cafe in Aspermont Monday evening of last week. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gholson, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Diers, Mr. and Mrs. Beno Hertenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Letz, and Mrs. Katie Gerloff entertaining a friend,

Mrs. Adele Dudensing.  
After the turkey supper the group played games of "84" and bridge.

On Tuesday of last week the Club met in the home of Mrs. Bill Tipton. Five members were present and enjoyed the game of "84."

The date of the club's annual Christmas meeting has been set for Tuesday, December 17, in the home of Mrs. E. H. Diers.

Mrs. Cora Mae Hines of Burk Burnett spent the weekend with Mrs. Minnie Schmidt. Billie Ann Vahlenkamp of Seymour spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vahlenkamp.

Mrs. Annie Tredemeyer who was a patient in a rest home in Haskell fell and broke her hip. She had surgery on Monday. Mrs. Tredemeyer formerly lived here. She is in the Haskell Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Tabb and children of Odessa spent Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Klump.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Simmons and four boys from Fort Worth spent the Thanksgiving weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beno Hertenberger. Others dropping in to visit were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hertenberger and children and Don Hertenberger of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Hertenberger and son of Rule and Roy Hertenberger of Aspermont.

The Hertenberger's grandson, Jack Simmons Jr. of Fort Worth, was recently honored when he entered an art contest in the Fort Worth Schools. He won the contest over 1700 other entries. His were the only paintings to be hung in the school. Nine of his paintings were hung.

(from last week)  
Irene Vargas was honored with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. J. B. Pumphrey Saturday afternoon. Miss

Vargas is the bride-elect of Joe Roa of Aspermont.

Hosting the shower were Mrs. J. C. Gholson, Mrs. Hilda Neumann, Mrs. Benno Erdman, Mrs. George Rhoads, Mrs. Travis Bell, Martha Neumann and Kathy Erdman.

4-H

The Old Glory Junior 4-H Club held its regular meeting Wednesday after school. Projects for the year were discussed.

Billie Baitz, Kathy Wendeborn and Beverly Neumann served refreshments. Named on the refreshment committee for the next meeting are Brenda Crosson, Susan Balder, and Debra Teichelman.

Mrs. Travis Bell, Mrs. Cecil Klump, and Dalton Gill attended a recent meeting of the Region XIV Small Schools Association on the campus of Abilene Christian College in Abilene. The speaker was Dr. Tom Lawrence of Hardin-Simmons University. After the general meeting, the members met for discussion in sectional groups.

It has been announced that as a Small Schools project, the Old Glory School will be mailing questionnaires to the people of the community soon. School officials hope those who are involved will give thought to the study of graduates and dropouts in the local school system.

Mrs. Margie Mischer received emergency treatment at the Stonewall Hospital last Wednesday when she accidentally got her hand caught in a washing machine wringer at her home that morning.

Mrs. Travis Bell was a patient at the Stonewall Memorial Hospital several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Thomas of Odessa spent several days here last week visiting her mother Mrs. H. E. Carr. Other visitors in Mrs. Carr's home last Sunday were Mrs. Mattie Tipton and Mrs. Gertrude Pritchett of Stamford.

Cecil Ray Gerloff was here from New Mexico last week visiting his mother, Mrs. Katie Gerloff.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Rittenour and children of Abilene were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Flowers last Sunday. Other visitors in their home Sunday were Mrs. A. L. Flowers and Hazel Price of Stamford. On Wednesday of last week Floyd Davis of Abilene was here visiting them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jennings and children of Shattuck, Okla. are here this week visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Tredemeyer.

## Proof of Birth Needed to Get Social Security

Social security benefits don't start automatically for you and your family when you retire. This may seem strange since the social security contribution comes out of the pay check without the worker requesting it, but the monthly retirement benefits have to be requested. Along with the application certain proofs have to be furnished, according to R. R. Tuley, Jr., district manager for the Social Security Administration. What does a person need to get his retirement check started? Proof of a person's age should always be brought with him when he files, says Tuley.

Most people decide to file a claim the first trip to see a social security representative after they see how simple it is, he went on, even though they were just inquiring about how to file. If the spouse and children are also claiming benefits, they will need proof of their age and relationship.

Since most people in this area don't have a birth certificate recorded near the time of birth, they usually need two old documents showing their age - the older the document the better. Baptismal records, family Bibles, school records, insurance policies, marriage licenses, and practically any other old document showing the person's age can be used to establish his date of birth.

Tuley says that your last year's W-2 Form, or tax return, if you were self-employed, should also be brought with you when you plan to apply for social security. The W-2 form is the statement of earnings furnished to employees at the end of each year by the employer.

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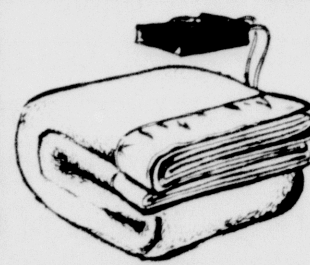
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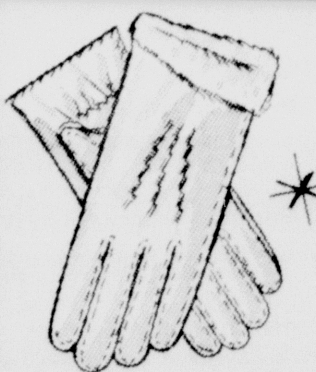
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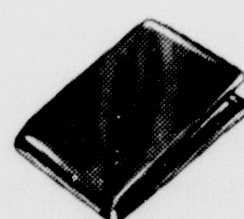
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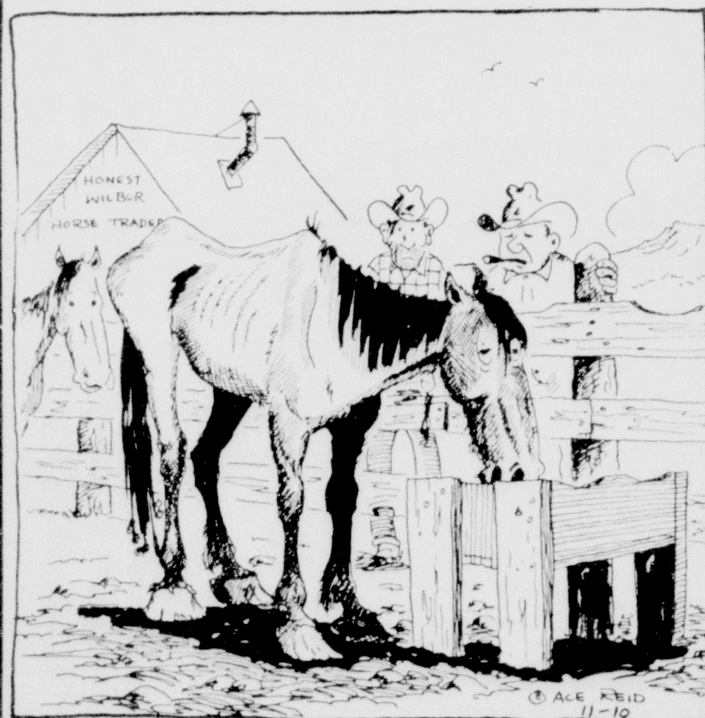
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## COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Shore he's a good fast hoss . . . he beats anything I've got to the feed trough!"

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## Two from Here to Compete In Midwest Co-op Oratorical Finals

Names of eight finalists in the oratorical contest sponsored by Midwest Electric Cooperative were named this week by Don Waddell, Members Service Director.

Winners, whose oratory on the subject "Where Do I Go From Here," qualified them for final consideration by a committee of judges are: Hector Del Toro and Mary Hudgins of Hermleigh; Mike Landrum and Carla Shoemaker of Fluvanna; Chris Perrin and Jo Lynn Johnson of Hamlin; Jacky Williams and Aletha Morgan of Roby.

The eight young people will be interviewed on December 9, 1968 at the Midwest Electric Cooperative "Willie Wire-hand Room" at 7:30 p.m. by a judging panel consisting of the following persons: Mrs. Jack Meares, speech and dramatics teacher at Roscoe High School; Mrs. Malcolm Brown, reading teacher at the Sweetwater Public Schools and Mrs. Jamie Clayton, Farm Editor of the Abilene Reporter-News.

From the group of finalists one boy and one girl will be selected as winners of all-expense paid trips to Washington, D. C. with the Texas Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in June 1969.

The final judging will be based on knowledge of subject, speaking ability, poise, personality, and appearance.

The Youth Group will travel to and from Washington, D. C. by chartered bus. Participants will be chaperoned by six adult couples.

During the four days in the nation's capital city, the young people will visit various governmental agencies and sites of historical significance. They will visit the U. S. Senate and House, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Congressmen and Senators from their districts and the Arlington National Cemetery.

Each of the Youth Tour participants will be given a set of 50 colored slides showing highlights of the Washington trip. It is expected that the young people will use the slides in reporting highlights of their Youth Tour experiences to local groups, service clubs, church groups, and any other organization desiring an interesting program.



**CHANGE ANNOUNCED** -- I. O. Hughes of Stamford, left, West Texas Utilities merchandise salesman for the past 17 years, will succeed C. D. Dickenson as district sales manager Dec. 1 when the latter's retirement from active service with WTU will become effective.

### Nephew Honored With Fellowship

Mike Perrin of Cameron, a senior at the University of Texas who plays end position on the varsity football squad, is in New York City this week to be honored as one of the eleven of the nation's college football players named last week as the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame scholar-athletes for 1968.

He will receive a \$500 fellowship for graduate study. He is a nephew of Dr. E. D. Perrin of Hamlin. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perrin of Cameron.

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65% Fortrel® polyester, 35% cotton with Perma Press finish. Floral print. P-S-M. **\$8**

#### COZY PAJAMAS IN BRUSHED FABRIC

Brushed fabric of 80% acetate, 20% nylon. Collar and cuffs have gold braid trim. **\$9**

Waltz gown (not shown) in orange, Dresden blue. S-M. **\$7**

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FROM THE FILES . . .

FIFTY-ONE YEARS AGO  
(December 7, 1917)

The public utilities in five West Texas cities and three in East Texas are merged into two corporations owned and controlled by the same parties. The two corporations are East Texas Utilities Company of Marshall and West Texas Utilities Company of Abilene. The latter took over the plants and business of the Abilene Gas and Electric Company, the Cisco Gas and Electric Company, Stamford Gas and Electric Company, Baird Gas and Electric Company and the Hamlin Gas and Electric Company.

Thursday night Hamlin was cut in on the new power line from Stamford and the service promises to be the best.

Notice is hereby given that the trustees of Plainview Common School District No. 47 will sell the old school building, belonging to that district, to the highest bidder on Saturday the 15th day of December, 1917 at the school building. John Jones, Trustee, Stamford, Texas.

NEINDA SCHOOL NOTES: The following pupils are on the honor roll for the first month of school: Seventh Grade, Gertrude McLendon, Theo Boyd, Eighth Grade, Fannie Mae Allen, Johnnie Boyd. Ninth, Cleo Sanders.

To be placed on this honor roll a pupil must be present every day and make 90 or more in deportment and 80 or more in general average. Miss Naomi Proctor left Tuesday for Los Angeles, Cal. to spend the winter with her aunt and uncle. She expects to be away till April.

Spot Cash sale at W. M. Green and Son advertises Calico, 10¢ now 8¢; Gingham, 16¢ now 12 1/2¢. Underwear: Boys shirts and drawers, per each garment--27¢; Men's fleeced lined shirts and drawers per each garment--38¢; and Ladies ribbed underwear per each garment--38¢. Bring us your eggs and butter, we will pay you the highest market price.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO  
(December 3, 1943)

Thanksgiving Day ended with a gentle rain falling late at night, and continued throughout the night and into the afternoon of Friday, amounting to about one and a quarter inch in this area of West Texas. This was the first rain of this proportion, falling generally, that this country has had since sometime in June. Everything was getting very dry. No fall wheat or oats or volunteer stuff at all.

There is a case of Typhus in Hamlin and rats are typhus carriers and there are too many rats in Hamlin, hence a Rat War is declared, starting December 6th.

Mr. Buie, representing rodent control of the Agriculture Department will be here to direct the campaign and the City of Hamlin and the Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring the rat killing enterprise. All kinds of pets should be protected next week.

Neinda Philosopher Can't Understand Why Governments Get Panicky Over Money Shortages

Editor's note: The Neinda Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Route One talks about, or around, the world's monetary system this week.

Dear editor:

I was telling my wife the reason I was in town instead of being out here plowing was that a man hijacked my tractor and made me drive him in but seeing I wasn't making any headway with this line of diplomacy I left the house and went out to the barn where I could read my newspaper in peace and quite. It seems to me more reasonable that a man would force you to drive him to Hamlin than Cuba. You notice I didn't say Abilene.

The big headline in the paper reported that France was facing a crisis over money problems and DeGaulle was telling everybody not to panic.

And not long ago, England was trying not to panic over

trouble with its money, and shortly after that all the world's governments were worrying themselves sick about the price of gold.

You know, it's a funny thing about governments. Let them run a little short of cash and they begin to panic.

If you and me panicked every time we ran low on money, along with everybody else, the organized world would have collapsed years ago.

If President DeGaulle or Prime Minister Wilson would come out here and examine the operating cash and financial structure of this Johnson grass farm they'd go back home and declare a national holiday for celebrating how well off they are.

Personally, I've never understood the monetary system, and haven't found anybody else who does. Oh, some experts claim they understand it, but they don't let on what

it is they understand.

I don't understand, for example, why people would swap French francs for American dollars, or vice versa, or English pounds for Italian lire, or all of it for gold, when some scientist who ought to know better may come out tomorrow with a formula to mass produce gold by the millions of tons and throw the whole system into a tailspin, with Fort Knox left as nothing but a place to smoke sausage in.


There was one French woman I read about however who understands the monetary system. On hearing that the franc was in trouble, she grabbed a handful of her husband's money and rushed out to put it into something stable. She bought a fur coat.

Yours faithfully,  
J. A.

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The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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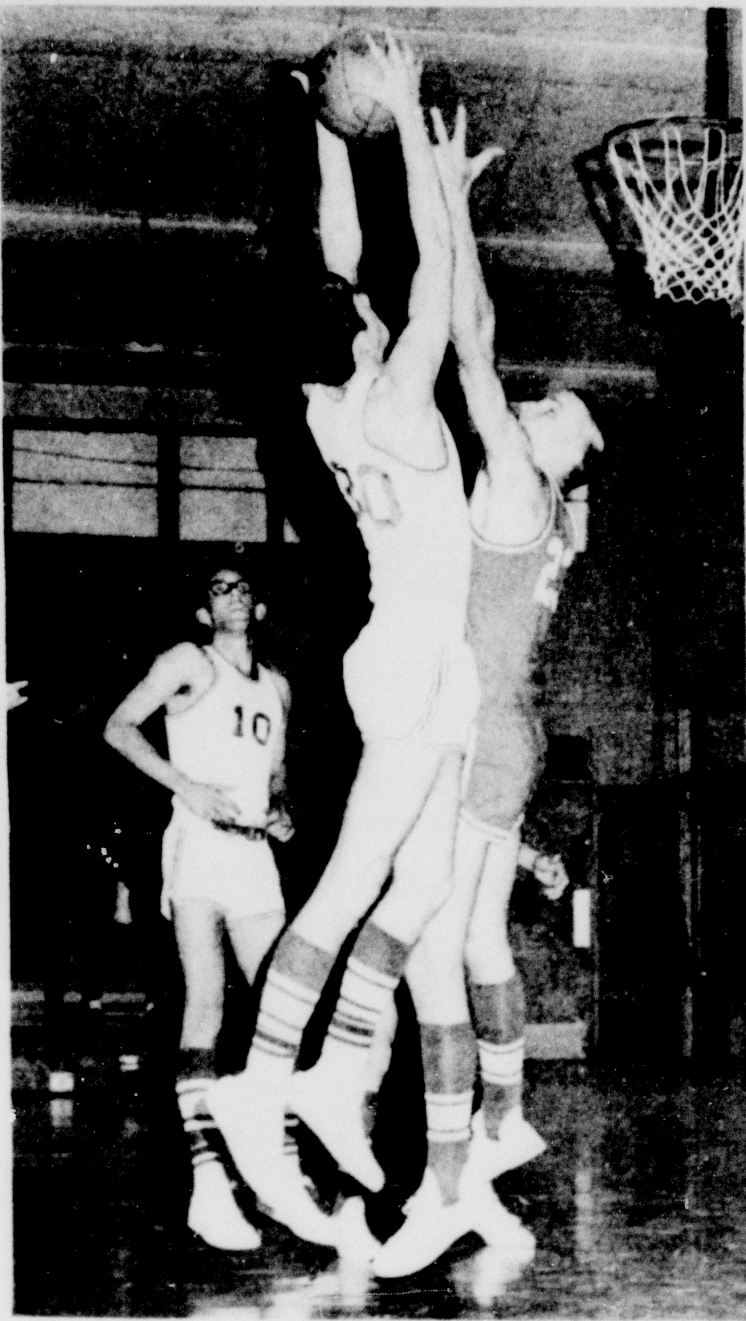
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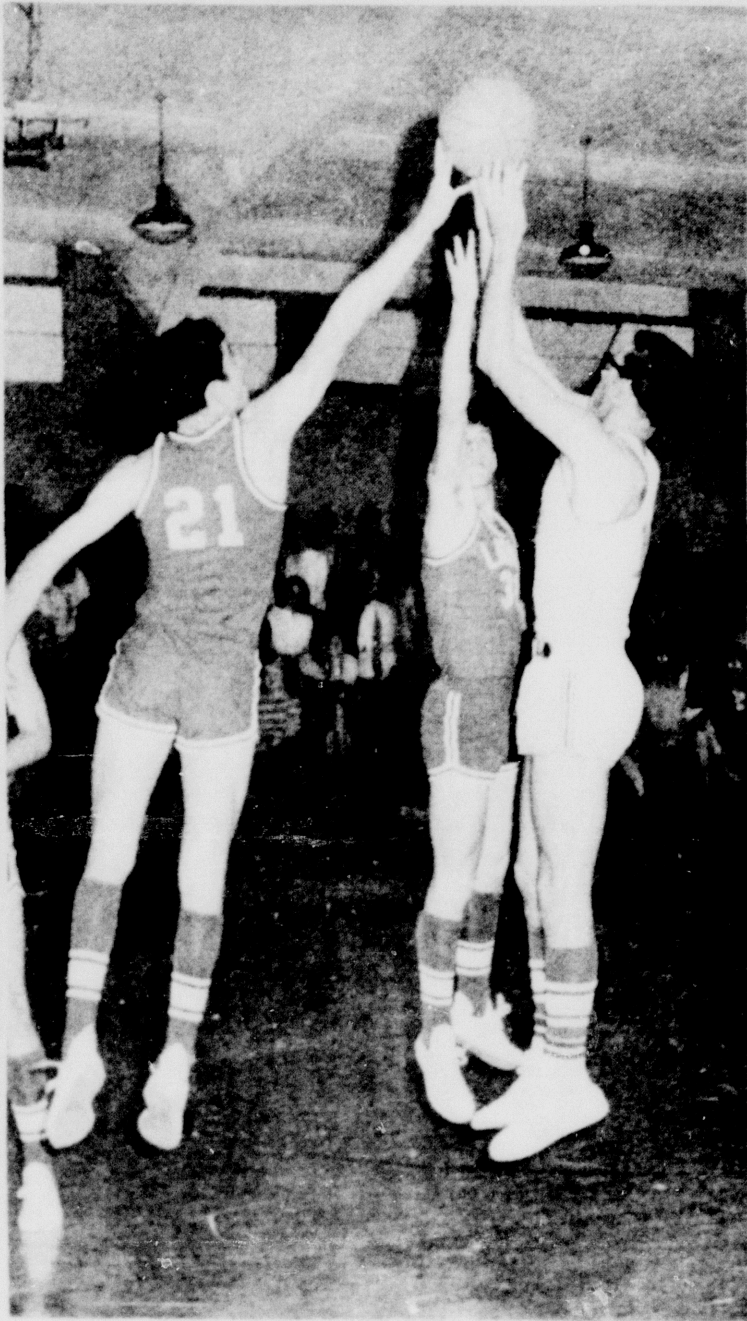
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<b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Douglas LeCroy, minister Lake Drive at Ave. A SUNDAY Bible Class 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 p.m. Young People 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY Mid week service 7:30 p.m.	<b>First United Methodist Church</b> Rev. Cecil C. Hardaway, pastor 48 S. W. Ave. A SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:50 a.m. M. Y. F. 5:45 p.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY Sessions for Children Grades 1 thru 6 4 p.m. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
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<b>Faith United Methodist Church</b> J. R. Patterson, pastor 500 N. W. 5th Street SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.	<b>SUNSET BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Rev. Jimmy Sheppard, pastor Ave. C at 6th SUNDAY Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. BTS 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.
<b>Baptist Mexican Mission</b> Rev. Bob Sena, pastor Stamford Highway SUNDAY Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:40 a.m. Training Union 6:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.	<b>NEINDA BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Rev. Frank Codrington, pastor SUNDAY Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
<b>McCauley Methodist Church</b> Morning Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.	<b>CHURCH of the NAZARENE</b> Rev. Marshall Stewart S. W. 1st at Avenue C SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. N. Y. P. S. 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
<b>CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Rev. J. Dudley Aspermont Highway Mass 8:00 a.m. 1st Friday of month 6:30 a.m.	<b>FOURSQUARE CHURCH</b> Rev. Carl Pool 113 S. W. Avenue D SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:55 a.m. Crusader Hour 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY Prayer, Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
<b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> Rev. Gerrie Hensley, pastor N. W. Avenue G at 5th SUNDAY Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. BTS 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY Song, Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.	<b>ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> 24 S. E. 9th Rev. A. D. Stewart SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY Midweek Service 7:00 p.m.
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<b>United Pentecostal Church</b> 219 N. E. Ave. B Rev. James A. Campbell, pastor Sunday School 9:45 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evangelistic service 7:00 p.m. Youth Service, Tues. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study, Thurs. 7:30 p.m.	<b>McCauley Baptist Church</b> Rev. Donny Linscott, pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.





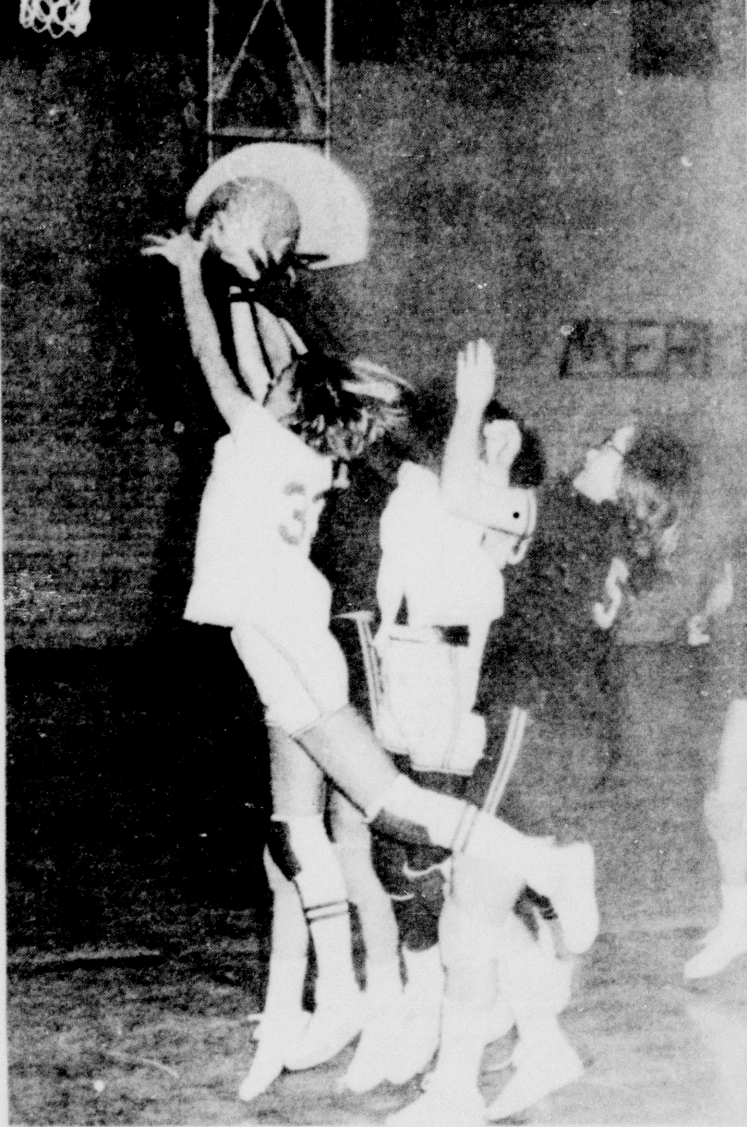
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EIGHTH GRADERS WIN 40 TO 24  
... (23) David Thompson



EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS BEAT MERKEL  
... (33) Terri Casey

## 'How Conservation Helps Texas,' Theme for Annual Essay Contest

It's conservation essay time again in the California Creek Soil and Water Conservation District.

Chairman Birger Haterius of Avoca announced the contest this week following the November meeting of the District's Board of Supervisors.

"How Conservation Helps Texas" will be the theme for this year's contest. Students are urged to use their imagination in writing about conservation of Texas natural resources.

According to Haterius, the following rules have been set by the Fort Worth Press, state-wide sponsor of the contest:

1. This is an open contest for Texas boys and girls 19 years old or younger, in or out of school, but not a high school graduate.

2. There is no limit on the number of words, but 300 words or less is suggested.

3. Include name, address, school, and "California Creek Soil & Water Conservation District No. 515."

4. Send entries by January 8, 1969 to: California Creek SWCD, P. O. Box 509, Stamford, Texas 79553.

"Scholarships certificates for \$25.00, \$20.00, \$15.00, \$10.00, and \$5.00 will be awarded the top five district winners," Haterius said. In addition, all essays will be sent to the Fort Worth Press for entry in state-wide competition, where first prize will be \$200.00. Fifty trophies and medals will also be given.

District entries will be judged by a committee from the Stamford Garden Club.

Last year's district winner was Dwight Overton of Paint Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Douglas returned this week after spending a week fishing at Corpus Christi and Port Aransas.

## McCaulley Rites Held Friday for W. H. Barton, 76

Funeral service for W. H. (Hoss) Barton, 76, were held at 2 p.m. Friday at McCaulley Methodist Church. Rev. Audrey Edwards, pastor, officiated.

Mr. Barton, a McCaulley resident for 60 years, died at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, at Hamlin Memorial Hospital after an illness of two years. He had been hospitalized three days.

Born Oct. 9, 1892, in Georgia, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barton.

He was married to Maudie Fancher in McCaulley Mar. 30, 1913.

A retired farmer and stockman, he was a member of the McCaulley Methodist Church and the Hamlin Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife of McCaulley; one son, M. R. of Lubbock; two daughters, Mrs. O. F. (June) Hemphill of Morton, Mrs. Ray (Bill) Maberry of Hamlin; two brothers, Frank of Levelland, Carl of Conroe; two sisters, Mrs. Lawson Wallace of Monday, Mrs. Jack Elliott of Goree; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Burial was in McCaulley Cemetery where Masonic graveside rites were held.

Pallbearers were Lewis Earl Madden, Hoyt and John Bland of Post, Don Wallace of Abilene, J. P. Davis of Roby, Frank and Fred Kemp of McCaulley, Orin Jarnigan and Guy Mauldin.

## Former Area Residents Honored On Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Wicker of Arlington celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary Thursday at a Thanksgiving dinner given by Mrs. Joe Hubbard of Arlington.

The couple was married Nov. 28, 1918, in Iredell in Bosque County and moved immediately to Fisher County where they farmed until 1952. Mrs. Wicker is the former Bertha Spinks.

The couple has six living children. All were present except one, Mrs. Bill Carnes.

Those present were Jack Wicker and family of Hamlin, Tellus Wicker and family of Cleburne, Mrs. Bill Tucker and family, Mrs. Norman Alexander and family, and the host couple, all of Arlington.

The Wickers have 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## John Ferguson Special Guest of Rotary Club

John Ferguson was a special guest at the Wednesday noon meeting of the Hamlin Rotary Club. He was recently notified of his selection as one of six young men to represent

## Mrs. C. F. Cook To Host Literary Club Meeting

Mrs. C. F. Cook will host the 2 p.m. Friday meeting of Woman's Literary Club.

"Christmas is Always" by Dale Evans Rogers will be reviewed by Mrs. Donald Young.

Mrs. W. A. Cassle is program director. Mrs. Bob Craig will give Federation News.

## Sharon Moffett, Homer Everton Plan Wedding

Mrs. W. R. Moffett is announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Sharon Kay, to Homer David Everton, son of Mrs. C. D. Everton and the late Mr. Everton. The bride's parents are Mrs. Moffett and the late Mr. Moffett.

The couple will be married Dec. 14 and will live in Snyder.

## Retired Farmer, V. M. (Buck) Jean, Dies Here Tuesday

Services were held Wednesday, Nov. 27, for Virgil M. (Buck) Jean, 62, a Hamlin resident since 1915. A retired farmer, he died at 10:40 a.m. Tuesday at Hamlin Memorial Hospital. He was hospitalized two days.

Services Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Central Baptist Church, were conducted by Rev. Fate Redden of Abilene, Rev. Billy Bush, pastor, and Rev. Marshall Stewart, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene.

Born Dec. 3, 1905, in Blum, Hill County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Jean. He attended school at Melvin in McCulloch County.

He was married to Amy Richards in Hamlin.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Paul of Fort Worth; one daughter, Mrs. Francis Patterson of Wink; two brothers, Morris of Abilene, T. A. Jr. of Roswell, N. Mex.; four sisters, Mrs. R. D. (Ethel) Caldwell of Hamlin, Mrs. Donald Flint of Haskell, Mrs. R. P. Humphreys of Mesquite and Edna Jean of Odessa; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Afton Cemetery in the Hinson Community.

Pallbearers were Robert Rhoten, Walter Meeks, Bailey Meeks, Delmer Hill, Jim Barnett and Bill Donham.

resent the Rotary District to a group study exchange program to New Zealand, Feb. 10 to Apr. 13, 1969.

Other guests included Diana Crowley and Cheryl Walton who presented the 30-minute program of piano solos, duets, singing duets and ukulele accompaniment. They were introduced by program chairman, James Harrison.

## Interest Developing In Kleingrass For Grazing Agent Clayton Says

Interest continues to develop in kleingrass, and Selection 75 has been approved for seed certification, says County Agent Kirby Clayton.

The farm-season perennial bunchgrass appears to be adapted to a wide range of soil and climatic conditions. It is influenced somewhat, but seems to be tolerant of however, by available moisture a rather wide range of moisture conditions. It is being grown successfully in trial plantings from the high rainfall areas of East Texas and the Gulf Coast, to the limited rainfall areas of the Rio Grande Plain and the Grand Prairie.

Active growth begins early in the spring, and the leaves of kleingrass remain green in the fall until temperatures drop below 25 degrees.

Kleingrass is extremely attractive to livestock as either green forage or cured hay, but does not have the potential for extremely high levels of production of such grasses as Coastal bermuda. However, it may equal or out-perform these grasses under moderate production conditions, especially in terms of live-stock production.

The next Junior High game will be Dec. 16 at Aspermont.

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## Junior High Wins Three Games At Merkel Monday

The three Junior High teams made a clean sweep at Merkel Monday night with three victories. The Eighth grade girls had to go into overtime to pull theirs off.

The Eighth grade boys were led by Milton Jones with 17 points to down Merkel, 40-24. David Thompson, Joe Mayes and Johnny Cork each scored 6 and Ken Shira 5.

The girls scored four points in overtime to break a 32-31 tie to win 36-32. Scoring for Hamlin were Terri Casey with 23 and Marilyn Covington with 13.

The Seventh grade boys won an easy 26-2 victory. Scoring for Hamlin were David Willis, 8; Willie Hopper, 6; L. J. Lee, 4; Jim Johnson, 3; Larry Mays and Bill Cork, 2; and George Titus, 1.

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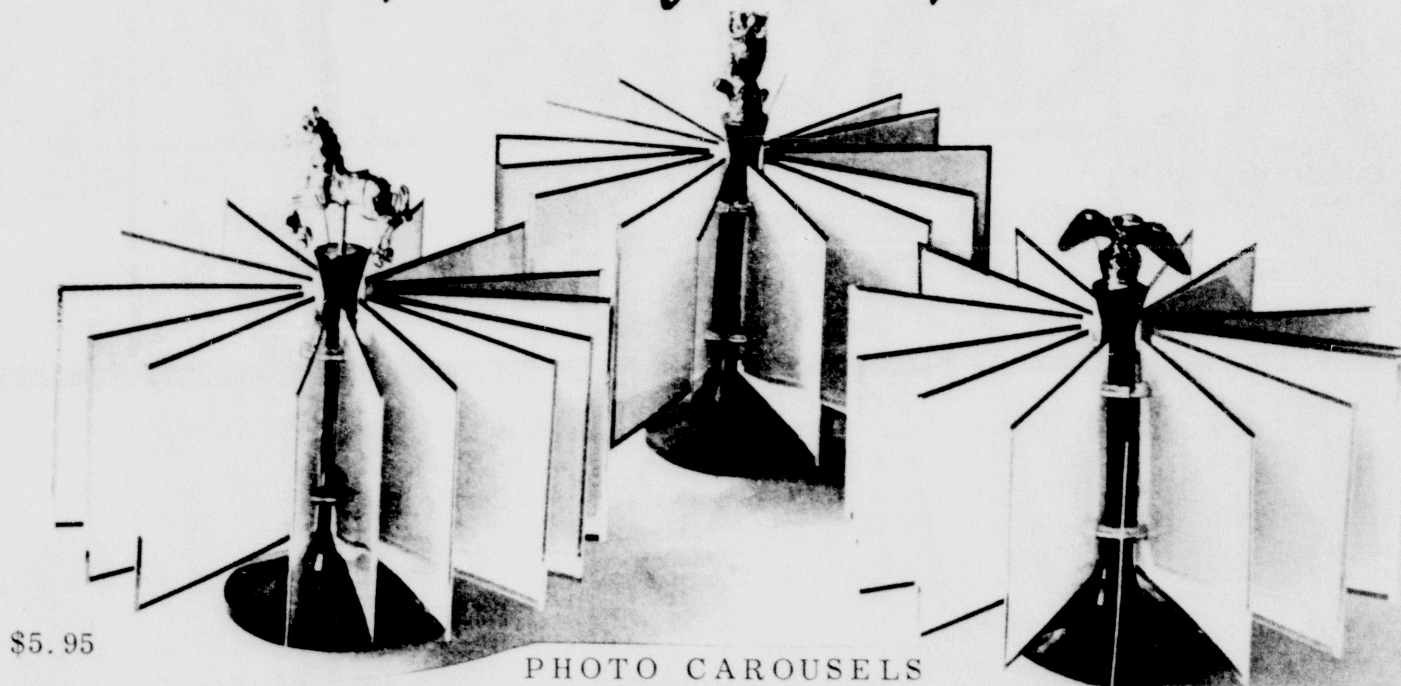
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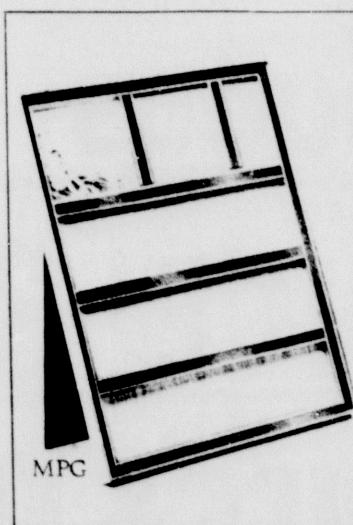


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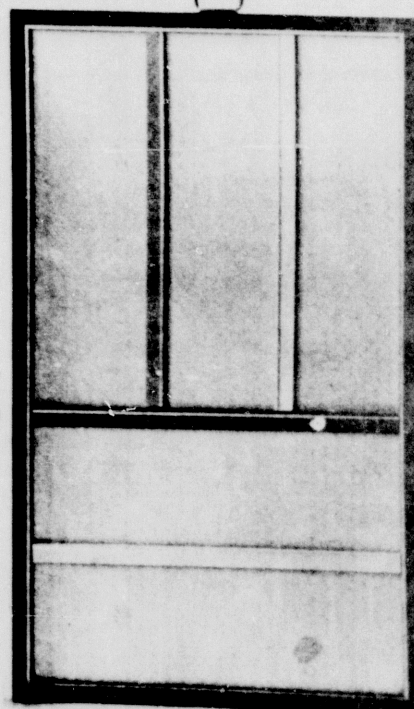


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## The Death of the Orient

(Taken from the August 9, 1929 files of The Hamlin Herald).

Below is a clipping from the Chillicothe Valley News that correctly expresses the Herald's views on the Orient and along with it is a letter from Agent Handley at Chillicothe, who says some pretty things and so we print it too.

Perhaps there has been no railroad in North America where people have felt such a personal interest as in the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway.

With all its struggles to live people served by this line have felt the touch of poverty as much as even the officials, but they always rallied to the cause; they had confidence in the officials with their aid to eventually bring the Orient out of the ruts onto a well-paved, prosperous road. And while efforts put forth looked in vain sometimes, other railway officials cast their eyes toward the Orient, looking into the future, knowing the country served by this grand old railway line was advancing in growth of human beings, and time would come when there would be plenty of freight to be hauled.

Alert to wise investments, the officials of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe bought the Orient railway holdings, and when the first day of August rolled around the Orient lines passed into oblivion; not that it will be entirely forgotten, but the Santa Fe will discard the name Orient, the books, equipment not suitable for better service, and changes in head officials.

But, employees of the Orient know the Orient best, and what could be a more opportune time than right now — on the day the Orient goes

to its death — than for agent J. J. Handley to tell what plans will be instituted today.

"Effective August 1, 1929, the Orient passes into history and is no more; and it is no more; and it is with the keenest of regrets among the older employes of the passing of this line and they will have to close Orient books and take up new ones. To them as well as Orient patrons, it is more like losing one of your best friends, all taking pride and feeling they had a personal privilege and a part in keeping the Orient going, when at times it looked as though the Orient would be abandoned and the tracks taken up. Had it not been for the loyal assistance of the patrons and employes of the road this might have been necessary, which would have been a great economical loss to the people who have invested their savings along the line, as well as the employees who had remained with the company for so many years.

"There have been times when employes would not get a pay check for two months,

and sometimes longer than that at one time, but the merchant would always say to the employes to come and get what you want. The Orient will pay. And, so it was the faith the patrons of this line had that was greatly instrumental in keeping this line going when the officials were having financial struggles.

"What has been the Orient will now be known as the Santa Fe; the Texas lines will be known as the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company and will be operated from Amarillo and Slaton.

"The people at large know what the word Santa Fe means in the way of service and should feel gratified its acquiring the management of this line."

"With the coming of the Santa Fe to handle the yesterday known as the Orient lines, comes also a new era in country development, because as in the past, the Santa Fe System will advertise this section throughout the nation.

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— Chillicothe Valley News.

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## How the Santa Fe Started

### OLD SANTA FE TRAIL

At one end there was Independence, Missouri. At the other rested Santa Fe, an exotic city nestling in the remoteness of the "Great American Desert." Between the two lay some 800 miles of faintly marked trail, snaking its way across the plains and through the mountains. This barely visible thoroughfare was destined to become a major artery of commerce.

Before Mexico received its independence from Spain, traders from United States outposts to the east were met with a notable lack of enthusiasm upon arrival at Santa Fe. The ruling Spaniards discouraged such trade by the simple expedient of jailing unsuspecting traders and confiscating their merchandise.

The first successful attempt to carry on overland trade with Santa Fe was a small expedition from Missouri organized and led by Captain William Becknell in 1821, shortly after Mexico gained its freedom. So successful was Becknell's first trip, that a larger expedition was formed the next year and a new and shorter route to Santa Fe was pioneered and mapped.

Both routes departed southwesterly from Council Grove, Kansas, and intersected the Arkansas River near Great Bend, following the river to a point just east of Dodge City. Here the trails diverged, one branch heading generally south and west across the plains to Las Vegas, and the other, more generally used, followed the Arkansas River to La Junta and turned south over the Raton Mountains to Las Vegas. Both of these routes are roughly the same as those followed by the Santa Fe Railroad of today. After Becknell's second caravan, commerce over the Santa Fe Trail expanded by leaps and bounds.

Thus, from its very beginning the trail was a two-way road of trade — a highway traversed by strings of laden pack mules. This limited form of transport was soon replaced by lengthy wagon trains inching westward with bulging loads of various trade goods from the more heavily settled East. On the return trip, the wagon wheels squealed under their huge cargoes of furs and precious metals from the Mexican mines.

As trade expanded and navigation of the Missouri River extended westward, so too, the outfitting points for the caravans moved further west to Kansas City and

Independence. Normal practice was for the adventurous trader to load his provisions and trade goods and strike out alone for Council Grove, a rendezvous point on the route to Santa Fe. At that point, for reasons of safety, the wagon trains were formed and generally reached the profitable marketplace at Santa Fe in eighty or ninety days.

It was in full recognition of this ever-increasing commerce that the soon-to-be railroad builders, mindful of the tremendous traffic potential, cast longing glances in the direction of Santa Fe.

### THE DREAM

Cyrus K. Holliday was the father of the Santa Fe Railroad. He was a dreamer but also a doer — possessed of an engaging personality, imagination, resourcefulness and unlimited perseverance. Without all of these qualities, the tasks he set himself to would have been beyond accomplishment.

Holliday arrived on the Kansas scene during the fall of 1854 with two objectives in mind. He wanted to found a town in the new territory. However, even more important, was his determination to build a railroad capable of transporting the vast amount of goods moving to and from the trappers and traders at Santa Fe — the trade center of the vast Southwest.

During his first few years in Kansas, he devoted all of his boundless energies to the establishment and promotion of the city of Topeka. He was largely responsible for its having been named the state capital in 1859. Having successfully accomplished the first of his two objectives, he became obsessed with the second of his dreams — building a railroad over the old Santa Fe Trail from the Missouri River to Santa Fe.

The charter for the Atchison and Topeka Railroad — the base from which our present system grew — was prepared single-handedly by Holliday in 1859. As a member of the Territorial Legislature, Holliday introduced the charter on February 1, 1859. With the "skids greased" by his foresight and advance groundwork, the bill sailed through both the House and Senate and was approved by the Governor on February 11.

The Civil War and the disarranged business conditions of the country made the raising of investment capital a lengthy and heartbreaking task, a struggle that endured for ten years, but the

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## Hamlin Founded By Railroad

(Editor's note: Like most West Texas towns, Hamlin owes its existence to the coming of the railroad. While the Santa Fe is celebrating its 100th anniversary, Hamlin was founded by the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad which was purchased by the Santa Fe in August of 1929. The following early day history of Hamlin is taken from the Anniversary Edition of the Herald which was published in May of 1939. The early day pioneer and the railroads worked hand in hand to develop Hamlin and West Texas.)

Thirty-five years ago (about 1904), where Hamlin now stands, was an unbroken pasture-land . . . a land of the mesquite and grass. The citizens' homes were scattered and very meager. For many

years before the coming of the first railroad, the pioneer had traveled far to secure the limited things West Texas could offer. Comforts were scarce in those days. Workers were needed and money was hard to get. What men had in those days, they worked for. Nothing was given, except perhaps lands, and all things else were "earned," by constant labor and good management.

The first railroad to pioneer across this corner of Jones County and cross over to diagonal Fisher County, was the "Orient" (now the Santa Fe). The Orient Townsite Company figured that distance, as measured in those days, fitted this spot, on the line, as a good place for a modern city. A townsite was

laid, avenues and streets were marked through the mesquite brush; lots and blocks were set aside for public use . . . for schools, parks and churches.

Like magic, lumber yards, mercantile stores, shops, professional men, promoters, schemers, and boomers came rushing into the newest and latest West Texas town. The sound of the hammer was heard unceasingly, day and night; and houses of all descriptions and sizes sprang up over night.

The Orient townsite became too small and other additions after additions were laid out. The M. K. & T. Railroad was headed this way too. It was in Stamford and was sure to pass west through the new town of Hamlin. It did and a second depot was built, and a rival business area was started about the Katy section of Hamlin. Hotels went up; nice home were built; the Central avenue stretched toward the south from the Katy to cross the Orient tracks nearly a mile distant. Those were real boom days and boom houses occupied lots where now modern residences abound. Men who helped build a modern city fought a battle against great obstacles to make a place others would enjoy living in. Hamlin streets were soon cleared of mesquite and some grading was done. Later the business section became one continuous mud hole or dust pan, depending. Then another railroad, the Abilene & Southern, came. Hamlin citizens paid a big bonus to get the third railroad. By this time, Hamlin was taking on substantial growth, and the boosting enterprising class of business men in those good early days started the idea of street paving, a bigger water system, commodious churches and schools. The early pioneer was spurred to great deeds by a vision.

Along with the growing town of Hamlin came aggressive real estate men who boosted farm lands and caused more and more cultivation to take place. Hamlin was assured by the redoubtable spirit of the early pioneer.

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The Congressional permission to build across the Territory south also provided for construction of a railroad from Kiowa, Kansas, through Waynoka to the south and west. On September 12, 1887, rails were laid across the Texas state line and the road continued to Panhandle City and later Amarillo. This road eventually became part of the Santa Fe's present mainline through the Texas Panhandle.

#### THE RAILROAD MECCA—CHICAGO

It was evident by 1883 that Santa Fe should build to Chicago which was even then well on its way to becoming the "railroad center of the world." The engineer for the project drew a straight line between Kansas City and Chicago as the desired route. Locators were warned not to plan any curve they could not account for. It was eventually decided to purchase and rebuild the Chicago & St. Louis and use about 100 miles of it as the new line.

After a highly secretive location survey and right-of-way acquisition campaign, which began in 1885 and lasted until December, 1886, the Santa Fe established construction offices in Kansas City and Chicago and started building between those points in March, 1887. Since the surveyed line intersected 13 other roads, the operation was greatly simplified. Construction of the segment still stands as an outstanding achievement in railroading. In nine months, some 350 miles of new line were built, about 100 were completely rebuilt, and five large bridges were erected across major rivers.

Terminal facilities in Chicago were acquired by purchase or lease of various short lines which, when pieced together provided an excellent route to the leased Dearborn Station. This "airline" even today gives the Santa Fe the shortest and fastest route between the two major cities. In January, 1888, train service was begun and regular operations commenced on May 1.

From the turning of the first spade

of Kansas earth on October 30, 1868, the little railroad had within a span of twenty years become one of the greatest systems of the world—a railroad that extended from Lake Michigan to the Pacific Coast and to the Gulf of Mexico.

The dream of Cyrus K. Holliday had been fulfilled.

#### END OR BEGINNING

Conception and realization of the dream was accomplished largely through the leadership, energy and devotion of C. K. Holliday and W. B. Strong. Magnificent though it was, the dream served only as the base for the growth of the Santa Fe, the beginning as it were. The Santa Fe profiled in this booklet, with its subsidiary operations and a modern railroad plant second to none, was built step by step under the guidance of many men—men of great vision.

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perseverance of Holliday and his Kansas friends eventually triumphed.

It was October 30, 1868, that saw the real beginning of the railroad — the turning of the first spade of earth at Topeka. Holliday took this occasion to forecast again that the line would eventually extend to the city of Santa Fe. Carried away by his own enthusiasm and the festive note of the occasion, he confidently predicted the road would, in time, reach the Pacific Coast and as an afterthought he added the Gulf of Mexico. Those present who did not laugh outright smiled tolerantly at what they felt were the ravings of a "lunatic."

## ACROSS KANSAS

The new railroad headed neither for Atchison nor Santa Fe but east toward the nearby Kaw River. Before the road could be built, it must bridge the river and establish a connection with Kansas Pacific. Once this task had been accomplished, the road built nearly south to Burlingame and its excellent coal deposits which furnished both traffic and fuel for the infant line.

Santa Fe's first train — the Wakarusa Picnic Special — rolled out of Topeka on April 26, 1869, carrying dignitaries and company officials. Tracks had been laid for only seven miles to Pauline and the remaining five miles to Wakarusa were covered by buggies and wagons. The picnic celebration, as was the custom of the day, consisted of eating, drinking, general merrymaking and very extensive oratory.

The line covered the twenty-six miles to Burlingame and, in spite of financial difficulties, had pushed ahead to Emporia by July, 1870. Not only did the rails reach Florence during 1871 but were extended to Newton, a trail town of cattle, gunplay, sin and eventual respectability.

Most of the towns west of Emporia did not exist prior to the coming of the railroad but were laid out and named by the Company. The only inhabitants were roving bands of marauding Indians and tremendous herds of buffalo. To reach the Kansas-Colorado border by March 3, 1873, as specified in the charter, the Santa Fe built about 360 miles of road in less than nine months, including the long-awaited Topeka to Atchison link. Kansas had been crossed and the line to Granada, Colorado, was opened for traffic May 10, 1873.

## THE SODBUSTERS

The Santa Fe stretched from Topeka to

the Colorado state line but there were very few people along the line and little freight to be carried in 1873. The young road needed traffic but without settlers there could be little business.

Agents were appointed in the new towns, the East and even in Europe, to push the sale of lands. Tons of literature were distributed. Land-seekers were given special rates, usually half-fare, and the price of the ticket could be applied to the purchase price of the land.

Santa Fe seemed near disaster when the grasshoppers came to Kansas. Crops were devoured and starving settlers were returning to the East in 1874. It was that year that the great influx of Mennonites from Russia began. They arrived in Topeka amid jeers at their strange ways and dress, the jeers soon became cheers when it was discovered they were well-financed. Undaunted by blizzards, droughts or grasshoppers, they purchased the equipment of the returning settlers and set about preparing their lands and building houses. Their most important contribution was popularizing the growing and milling of the hard red Turkey wheat they had brought from Russia. This meant millions of dollars to the grain country and to Santa Fe over the years.

The Santa Fe cut its rates, land prices and hauled building material free for a year. It even chartered liners to bring the settlers from Europe and they came — from Germany, Sweden, Russia and Italy. The cattle towns and ranchers did not appreciate the fences strung by these hard-working farmers but the fences stayed and the farmers were tremendously successful with the land.

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**CONSTRUCTION INTO COLORADO**

There was ample inducement for extending the line westward into Colorado. Large coal deposits around Canon City and Trinidad promised large eastbound tonnage. Colorado timber would provide settlers in Kansas with direly needed lumber. The mining industry with its proven reserves of precious metals would develop rapidly with improved transportation. This held forth the lure of heavy traffic in eastbound ores and equally important, would create an increasing demand for mining machinery and manufactured goods from cities east of the Missouri River.

Santa Fe's gateway to the interior of Colorado was the city of Pueblo, where a connection would be made with an existing road to Denver. A line through Trinidad would approach the New Mexico boundary where much of the overland wagon traffic could be attracted to the railroad. Colorado offered virtually limitless traffic and it was decided to build to Pueblo, 138 miles west of Granada.

The first fifty miles to Las Animas were completed and ready for operation on September 13, 1875. On March 1, 1876 the line to Pueblo was placed in regular service.

**SOUTH AND WEST PAST  
SANTA FE**

In 1877, the Santa Fe surveyed a route between Trinidad, Colorado, and the country south of the Raton Mountains via

Raton Pass. One road was already operating in the Trinidad area and was thought to be ready to appropriate the Pass for its own use. A race for the Pass resulted. In those days, possession was nine-tenths of the law and Santa Fe's grading crews reached the Pass only minutes ahead of those of the competitor. Had this not been the case, Santa Fe might have literally been "headed off at the pass."

Las Vegas was reached in July, 1879. The main line had pushed through Glorietta Pass and dropped down to Lamy in the Rio Grande Valley. By this time the ultimate destination was the Pacific Coast and the main line was to follow the Rio Grande to Albuquerque.

It was a grave disappointment to learn that the road's main line could not be routed through the long-sought city of Santa Fe, but surveys indicated there was no practical way to build west out of town. The citizenry of Santa Fe was determined to have rail service and approved a bond issue to aid in constructing a branch line from Lamy. Thus, the first Santa Fe train to the namesake city arrived February 16, 1880. Holliday's dream had been realized. Perhaps the other early objectives — the Pacific, the Gulf of Mexico and Chicago — were not ridiculous after all.

Albuquerque was reached on April 15, 1880 and six months later tracks were laid as far south as San Marcial without any sign of stopping. A connection at Deming with another road building east from California on March 8, 1881 gave the nation its second transcontinental line.

**EXPANSION EAST**

Expansion of the Santa Fe both east and west was begun in 1875. Kansas City had become the terminus of practically all the important railroads in the area and was rapidly emerging as the greatest cattle and grain market of the Southwest. In view of the fact that grain and cattle comprised the bulk of Santa Fe's eastbound traffic and lay a mere 67 miles east of Topeka, it became essential to secure directly served terminal facilities at Kansas City.



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Reaching this growing metropolis would provide ready markets for grain and livestock thereby stimulating growth of this eastbound traffic. Too, Santa Fe stood to gain considerable westbound traffic, both freight and passenger. Access to this potential traffic was gained on October 1, 1875, when the company leased the Kansas City, Topeka and Western, an existing road between Kansas City and Topeka.

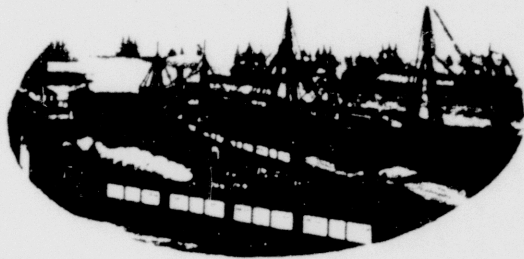
#### SEEKING PACIFIC PORTS

Santa Fe officials felt all of the freight traffic to Arizona and much destined for Southern California would naturally move over the new and shorter transcontinental route. The connecting line, which was already handling this traffic from San Francisco, saw no reason to share its revenues with this invader from the East. They felt it would be better to have the goods move to San Francisco over the Central Pacific-Union Pacific route and then south and east on their road. To this end, they flatly refused to establish rates which would enable goods to move over the new route. Santa Fe was at the mercy of its competition.

Another Santa Fe attempt to reach the ports of San Francisco and San Diego met the same fate. In a joint venture, Santa Fe and a cooperative mid-western railroad purchased the struggling Atlantic and Pacific railroad. Under the name and charter of the Atlantic and Pacific, a new line was built west from Albuquerque through Arizona. Recognizing the threat posed by this line and still desirous of maintaining their stranglehold, the competition gained control of the cooperating midwestern road. No action could be taken without consent of both roads which meant that the tracks of the Atlantic and Pacific were stopped at Needles, California. The competition did build a line north from Mojave to Needles, California, the end of Atlantic and Pacific construction, ostensibly giving Santa Fe access to the Pacific Coast.

Once again the situation proved

intolerable and Santa Fe made arrangements for obtaining or building parallel or shorter routes. Either alternative would have rendered the newly-built Mojave to Needles line worthless and it was sold to Atlantic and Pacific at cost in 1884. At the same time, an agreement providing for joint trackage to San Francisco was negotiated. Having finally reached the major Coast ports and no longer dependent on the good will of its competitor, Santa Fe expanded its California trackage through mergers and purchases of smaller lines.



#### NEXT, THE GULF OF MEXICO

By the time the battle for access to the Pacific subsided in 1884, the Santa Fe's network of branch lines throughout Kansas had been considerably strengthened and expanded.

That same year, with eyes on the Gulf of Mexico, Santa Fe received Congressional authority to build south from Arkansas City, Kansas, through Indian Territory. The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe, a Galveston based road, had also obtained rights to build north across the Territory. The G. C. & S. F. ran into financial difficulties and a contract for its sale to Santa Fe was negotiated with the provision that it would build north from Fort Worth, Texas, and connect with the line Santa Fe was building from Arkansas City. The rails were bolted together at Purcell on April 26, 1887, with the discovery of tremendous oil reserves and the great land rushes to settle what is now Oklahoma still in the future.



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